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TO: IMMEDIATE WHITE HOUSE//SITUATION ROOM FOR MR FAZIO,  
STATE RCI//OPERATIONS CENTER, MR FRY, NMCC//ATTENTION  
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ITEM NO: **2** DATE: 31 AUGUST 1974  
SUBJECT: MORE SPECULATION ON NEW EGYPTIAN PRIME MINISTER  
REF : AFP, UPI PRESS ITEMS

CAIRO COLUMNIST ALI AMIN REPORTS IN HIS WEEKLY ARTICLE TODAY  
THAT PRESIDENT SADAT WILL TURN OVER THE PRIME MINERSHIP,  
WHICH HE HAS HELD SINCE MARCH 1973, TO FIRST DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER  
HIJAZI WITHIN TWO WEEKS AND WILL ASK HIJAZI TO FORM A NEW  
CABINET.

SADAT HIMSELF ANNOUNCED ON WEDNESDAY THAT HE WAS READY TO  
TURN THE JOB OVER TO A FULL TIME PRIME MINISTER. HE GAVE NO  
MORE THAN A VAGUE HINT AS TO THE TIMING OF HIS MOVE, HOWEVER, AND  
DID NOT SPECIFY THAT THE MAN TABBED WOULD BE HIJAZI. ALTHOUGH  
HIJAZI PROBABLY WILL BE SELECTED, ALI AMIN'S DEFINITIVE ASSERTION

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THAT THIS IS THE CASE AND HIS ESTIMATE THAT THE MOVE WILL OCCUR IN TWO WEEKS SHOULD BE REGARDED AS NO MORE THAN GUESSES. AMIN OFTEN REPORTS AS FACT WHAT IS IN ACTUALITY HIS OWN, OCCASIONALLY INACCURATE, SPECULATION.

IF AND WHEN SADAT'S "RESIGNATION" OCCURS, HE WILL NOT BE RELINQUISHING ANY IMPORTANT POWER. HE ASSUMED THE POST LAST YEAR IN A MOVE TO CONSOLIDATE PLANNING FOR THE WAR AND HAS SINCE BEEN RELUCTANT TO LEAVE IT ONLY BECAUSE HE FEARS THIS WOULD GIVE THE IMPRESSION THAT HE IS GIVING UP THE "STRUGGLE" WITH ISRAEL BEFORE THE OCCUPIED TERRITORIES HAVE BEEN RETURNED. HIJAZI HAS BEEN SERVING AS PRIME MINISTER IN ALL BUT NAME, BUT SADAT AS PRESIDENT HAS WIELDED AND WILL CONTINUE TO EXERCISE THE EFFECTIVE *Authority* POLICY-MAKING IN THE GOVERNMENT. E-2 IMPDET.H

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